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Board for Geologists and Geophysicists Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) August 15, 2008 Meeting Agenda

Location: Department of Consumer Affairs
1625 North Market Boulevard, Humboldt Room (N-325)
Sacramento, California

Start Time: 10:00 am

PAC Members: Cecilia Yu (Board Member Representative), Tom Crosby (Chair), Charles Nestle (Vice-Chair), David Bloom, Martin Miele and Kim Taylor.

1. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum.
2. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items. (This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to speak on both agenda and non-agenda items. While the PAC cannot take action at this time on non-agenda items, it can decide to place an item on the agenda for a future meeting. Those wishing to speak on a particular agenda item should do so at this time. The PAC reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.)
3. Minutes.
 - Action: The PAC will consider adoption of previous PAC meeting minutes.
4. Board Staff Report.
 - a. Board operations restructuring and process improvements.
 - b. Examination Committee requests for assistance for examination administration.
5. Discussion of Board PAC Assignments.
 - a. Establishing PAC's role as liaison to professional organizations.
 - b. Evaluation of PAC membership requirements to effectively support the Board's public protection functions.
6. PAC Chair's report, announcements, Board assignments, other technical items and scheduling of PAC project assignments for next meeting.
 - a. Name change from TAC to PAC.
 - b. Redefining role of PAC.
 - c. New objectives of PAC.
 - d. Identification of PAC membership needs and new membership recommendations to the Board.
 - e. PAC Interaction with other BGG committees.
 - f. New PAC ambassador programs to professional organizations.
7. Adjourn

Note: Starting time is approximate. Agenda items may be taken out of sequence at the discretion of the PAC Chair for convenience of the PAC or members of the public. The PAC will break for lunch at approximately 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. as determined by the PAC Chair.

Protection of the public shall be the highest priority of the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists in exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Whenever the protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought to be promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount. (Business and Professions Code §7810.1)

Public Participation in Committee Meetings is Encouraged

You are encouraged to attend and to participate in Committee meetings, which are held in barrier free facilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Times and order of business noted on the meeting agenda are approximate and subject to change.

The PAC meetings are governed by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Government Code Section 11120, et seq), which sets forth the following:

It is the public policy of this state that public agencies exist to aid in the conduct of the people's business and the proceedings of public agencies be conducted openly so that the public may remain informed.

In enacting this article the Legislature finds and declares that it is the intent of the law that actions of state agencies be taken openly and that their deliberation be conducted openly.

The people of this state do not yield their sovereignty to the agencies which serve them. The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created.

If you wish to address the PAC regarding any particular agenda item or during the "Public Forum" on an issue that is not on the agenda, please indicate your interest on a "Public Participation Card" available at the meeting and return it to a PAC member so you may be heard at the appropriate time. Persons addressing the PAC who wish to remain anonymous may do so.

For additional information or assistance prior to the scheduled public meeting, please contact Tom Crosby at (925) 299-9300 or write to the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists, 1625 North Market Boulevard, N-324, Sacramento, CA 95833-2926.